

recite any step of "determining" nor any exact equality. Rather, claim 1 requires that certain angles each be "about equal to" a qualifying angle. The qualifying angles are articulated in a formula rather than a list for brevity. If the Examiner has indicated allowability based on some contrary perception, it is respectfully suggested that claims 1-24 be reevaluated before allowance.

Applicant further notes that the above-referenced Office Action was only accompanied by one form PTO/SB/08B, indicating that references AA through AO were considered by the Examiner. Applicant provided these 15 references in a supplemental IDS on 7 October 2002.

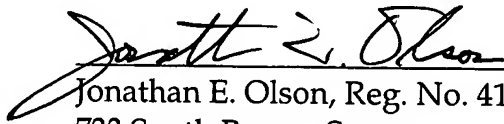
82 additional references were provided with appropriate forms in the initial filing on 15 March 2001. 80 of these were U.S. patents indexed in a form PTO/SB/08A, and the other two were non-patent references indexed in a form PTO/SB/08B. An additional copy of these forms was faxed to the Examiner on 8 January 2003 as a courtesy, moreover. Applicant requests that these 82 line items on two forms be appropriately initialed so as to indicate that the Examiner has considered them.

### Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Appropriate follow-up and favorable action with respect to the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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